

Message Text

PAGE 01 STATE 169129

21

ORIGIN EA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-02 INR-07 L-03

NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06

FBIE-00 JUSE-00 /056 R

66614

DRAFTED BY EA/PHL:BAFLECK:PAW

APPROVED BY EA:WHGLEESTEEN

----- 102423

R 172311Z JUL 75

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY MANILA

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 169129

E.O. 11652: XDGS-2

TAGS: PINT, RP

SUBJECT: MIJARES BRIBERY INVESTIGATION

REF: MANILA 9779

1. ON JULY 26 PHILIPPINE EMBASSY DISTRIBUTED A REPORT BY UNDER SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS JOSE INGLES TO PRESIDENT MARCOS OF INVESTIGATION INTO MIJARES BRIBERY CHARGE. REPORT CONSISTS OF 18 LEGAL PAGES PGSS APPROXIMATELY 60 PAGES OF EXHIBITS AND ANNEXES. COPIES GIVEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE, JACK ANDERSON, AND DEPARTMENT. DEPARTMENT HAS PROVIDED COPIES TO JUSTICE, FBI, AND CIA.

2. REPORT CONSTITUTES STRONG COUNTERATTACK AGAINST MIJARES AND LOPEZ FAMILY, PARTICULARLY STEVE PSINAKIS. REPORT CLAIMS THAT MIJARES WAS DOUBLE AGENT IN PAY OF BOTH GOP AND LOPEZ FAMILY AND THAT HIS DEFECTION IN FEBRUARY WAS STAGED, WITH APPROVAL OF GENERAL VER, FOR PURPOSE OF PERMITTING HIM TO PENETRATE A TI-MARNOS GROUPS IN U.S.
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 169129

3. HAVING PENETRATED LOPEZ GROUP, MIJARES REPORTED TO GOP THAT HE HAD DISCOVERED AN ASSASSINATION PLOT AGAINST PRESIDENT MARCOS, LED BY PSINAKIS BUT WITH PARTICIPATION BY OTHERS INCLUDING THE CIA, WITH OBJECTIVE OF ELIMINATING

MARCOS IN 1975. REPORT STATES MIJARES RECEIVED PAYMENTS

TOTALLING DOLS 45,000 FROM CONSUL GENERAL ALIONCEL FOR INTELLIGENCE REPORTS ON ASSASSINATION PLOT AND OTHER LOPEZ ACTIVITIES.

4. REPORT SPECULATES THAT MIJARES DURING SAME PERIOD RECEIVED NEW AUTOMOBILE AND ESTIMATED TOTAL OF DOLS 70,000 FROM LOPEZ GROUP. IN ADDITION THEY ALLEGEDLY PROMISED HIM DOLS 100,000 TO WRITE ANTI-MARCOS BOOK, DOLS 50,000 TO AUTHENTICATE CONTENTS OF BOOK BEFORE ANY CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE, AND BONUS OF DOLS 50,000 IF AND WHEN CONGRESS VOTED TO CUT OFF AID TO PHILIPPINES. REPORT STATES MIJARES IMPLIED WILLINGNESS TO FOREGO DOLS 200,000 FROM LOPEZ IF GOP WOULD PROVIDE LIKE SUM.

5. ACCORDING TO REPORT, MIJARES

REQUESTED FROM GUILLERMO DE VEGA DOLS 110,000 FOR PURPOSE OF GAINING CONTROL OF A GROUP BEING FORMED IN U.S. TO PUBLISH A NATIONALLY CIRCULATED FILIPINO NEWSPAPER. AFTER RECEIVING CLEARANCE FROM GENERAL VER, DE VEGA TRANSMITTED DOLS 50,000 FOR THIS PURPOSE TO ALCONCEL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DE VEGA'S RETURN FROM CHINA. ALCONCEL DEPOSITED THIS AMOUNT IN SAN FRANCISCO BANK AND TURNED PASSBOOK OVER TO MRS. MIJARES (COMMON LAW). ON JUNE 15, ACCORDING TO REPORT, MIJARES TELEPHONED DE VEGA, SUBMITTING ENTIRELY NEW PROPOSAL, I.E. TO SEND MIJARES DOLS 100,000 NOT LATER THAN NOON JUNE 16 SO THAT HE COULD LEAVE THE U.S., PROBABLY FOR AUSTRALIA, TO GET AWAY FROM PRESSURES BEING APPLIED BY FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE. OTHERWISE HE WOULD TESTIFY JUNE 17 BEFORE SUBCOMMITTEE AGAINST AID TO PHILIPPINES. DE VEGA AND GENERAL VER CONSIDERED THIS TO BE BLACKMAIL AND INSTRUCTED ALCONCEL
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STATE 169129

TO CANCEL DOLS 50,000 DEPOSIT, WHICH HE DID IMMEDIATELY.

6. INGLES' CONCLUSION IS THAT CHARGE OF ATTEMPTED BRIBERY IS UNTENABLE. MIJARES IN FACT ACCEPTED DOLS 50,000 THROUGH HIS SAN FRANCISCO WIFE AND ONLY RAISED BRIBERY CHARGE AFTER ALCONCEL CANCELLED DEPOSIT. IF PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT HAD INDEED INTENDED TO BRIBE MIJARES, REPORT CONTINUES, THEY WOULD NOT HAVE TRANSMITTED MONEY BY CHECK AND WOULD NOT HAVE DEPOSITED IT IN EASILY IDENTIFIABLE BANK ACCOUNT.

7. HABIB INVITED INGLES AND AMBASSADOR ROMUALDEZ TO LUNCH JULY 17 AND OBJECTED TO REPETITION IN REPORT OF ALLEGATION OF CIA INVOLVEMENT IN ASSASSINATION PLOT WHEN GPO THOROUGHLY AWARE THAT ALLEGATION COMPLETELY FALSE. INGLES LAMELY

REPLIED THAT HE MERELY HAD REPEATED CHARGE BY MIJARES. HABIB EMPHASIZED THAT REPETITION OF FALSE CHARGE BY GOP WITHOUT DISCLAIMER WAS DEFINITELY UNHELPFUL. HABIB ALSO EXPRESSED SURPRISE THAT EMBASSY HAD NOT CONSULTED DEPARTMENT BEFOREHAND ABOUT DISTRIBUTION OF INGLES REPORT IN WASHINGTON.

8. ROMUALDEZ STATED ANDERSON HAS READ REPORT AND WILL PROBABLY REFER TO IT IN UPCOMING COLUMN. EMBASSY HAS NOT RELEASED REPORT TO ANY OTHER JOURNALISTS.

9. FBI INVESTIGATION INTO BRIBERY CHARGE AT REQUEST OF CONGRESSMAN FRASER IS CONTINUING. IF QUERIED, DEPARTMENT INTENDS TO MAKE NO COMMENT PENDING COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATION.

10. COMPLETE INGLES REPORT BEING POUCHED. KISSINGER

CONFIDENTIAL

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 26 AUG 1999
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: BRIBERY, POLICE INVESTIGATIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 17 JUL 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: greeneet
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975STATE169129
Document Source: ADS
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: EA/PHL:BAFLECK:PAW
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: 11652 XDGS-2
Errors: n/a
Film Number: D750248-0712
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t197507105/baaaapov.tel
Line Count: 128
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, TEXT ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN EA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: greeneet
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 23 JUL 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <23 JUL 2003 by ShawDG>; APPROVED <19 NOV 2003 by greeneet>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: <DBA CORRECTED> mcm 971015
Subject: n/a
TAGS: PINT, RP, US, PINT, (INGLES, JOSE), (MIJARES)
To: MANILA
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006